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Patent Application of:

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For:	<u>ION ELUTING UNIT, DEVICE PROVIDED THEREWITH, AND WASHING MACHINE</u>		

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INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

In reply to the Office Action dated September 03, 2010, the following amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted in connection with the above-identified application.

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